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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 6, 2006, and marked final, a reply to which is due June 6, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this submission.

This response is being filed under the Two-Month Rule on May 4, 2006, i.e., prior to May 6, 2006.